

Description of Appendices

The following appendices contain readings, handouts, and other material related to the course *Israel/Palestine: Is There a Samaritan on the Road?* Together with the *Facilitators' Manual* for the course, they can be found on the course web page: www.stmarks.net/get-involved/mid-east-working-group/israel-palestine-course/ Readers can download these documents and copy the portions that are of interest to them into their own course material.

Appendix A -- Promoting the Course

Contains examples of the ways in which the course was promoted to the congregation: catalog listing, bulletin notices, e-mail, poster, and sign-up sheet.

Appendix B -- *The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: A Brief Guide*

Provided courtesy of the Foundation for Middle East Peace, this pamphlet was used as preparatory reading for Session 1. Published in 2008, it gives a very useful overview of the history of the conflict and efforts to negotiate peace through late 2007.

Appendix C -- Closing Prayer, Session 1; Facilitator's Remarks, Session 2

Session 1 focused on the background of the conflict and concluded with *A Peacemaker's Prayer* from the Mennonite Church USA. In Session 2, class participants shared Israeli and Palestinian narratives and discussed the impact of trauma on individuals and societies. This appendix contains the remarks and passages of Scripture used to frame the session.

Appendix D -- Session 2: Israeli & Palestinian Narratives

Contains the text of the narratives, a matrix showing how they were assigned to the break-out groups, and source information.

Appendix E -- Session 3 Material

Three Fact Sheets on Israel and Palestine:

- *Israel/Palestine -- Changing Populations, Changing Boundaries*
- *Comparative Data on Fatalities, Armaments, and U.S. Aid*
- *Attitudes and Expectations of Israelis, Palestinians, and Americans*

Selection of film excerpts shown and the response to them

Passages of Scripture used during the meditative "Wilderness Walk" and the closing prayer

Appendix F -- Session 4 Material

Preparatory reading for the class:

- *Israel/Palestine -- The Episcopal Church's Response*
- *Promoting Peace and Justice in the Holy Land: Faith-based and Other Groups*

Facilitator instructions for the break-out groups on "next steps"

Notes for the Closing Segment: The Good Samaritan Story, commitment cards, and prayer

Appendix G -- Course Evaluation and Facilitator Recommendations

This appendix contains the evaluation questions sent to class members and provides a summary of their responses. The complete set of Facilitator Recommendations includes ideas for expanding the course to six sessions, using small group discussions, encouraging creative expression through art, and exploring options for individual advocacy.

Appendix H -- Take Home Material

Contains a short list of suggested books and films and a description of the booklets and DVD's that were provided to all class participants at the last session.

Appendix I -- Advocating for Peace and Justice in Israel/Palestine

This appendix provides three handouts that were prepared for a follow-up discussion of individual advocacy.

Handout 1 -- Resources for Episcopalians

This document describes the relevant public policy positions, actions, and advocacy resources of The Episcopal Church, the Diocese of Washington, the Palestine Israel Network of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship, and Churches for Middle East Peace.

Handout 2 -- Options for Individual Advocacy

This handout examines a wide range of possible actions, ranging from contacting public officials and media editors, to supporting ad campaigns, to participating in various aspects of the global Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement. It also provides "how to" information and examples for many of the methods.

Handout 3 -- Sources of Information

This document identifies 16 organizations that provide background and current information on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, analyze media coverage, or provide tools and materials for advocacy.